

Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery The Review

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Introducing *Bridging to the Future* "Here Comes the Possible" Mary Southard, ministryofthearts.org Used with permission.

Dear Friends.

Letter Is the future all just a mystery? I believe the future from the prioress is a classic "both and" situation. Planning for the future is like planting a seed deep into the earth where it stays for a time in darkness and mystery. Yet we know that the seed will turn into a seedling and then into a flower, even if the flower is a color we didn't expect. The seed, the vision, the future has its time and will not disappoint. It will come forth.

Futuring work is much like hope. Brene Brown says "Hope is a thinking process that involves a goal, a pathway and agency."

For some time, we have been looking with hope and intention to the future of the monastery. We have looked backward and assessed it honestly with critical awareness. We have engaged people by listening together in empowered and embodied conversations that yielded challenging and deeply meaningful insights.

In time, these emerging insights gave us energy to express a vision framework, a "NorthStar" that will guide us as we create a sustainable path to a compelling vibrant future. And after much more work, we have our pathway, a "bridging to the future" plan for the next three years that is brilliant, challenging, and contemporary.

These plans are built on our faith in a God who never abandons us. They are built on the agency of the giftedness of our sisters, oblates, benefactors, and friends. They align our resources with our mission in concrete operational plans, a firm business model and a feasible and viable financial plan. Our "pathway" also has room for reassessment of guideposts along the way and new choices as we go.

It was during these months of planning, at Christmastime, 2020, when our life size nativity scene near the entrance was vandalized. The word that came to us as we assessed the damage was RESILIENCE. We did not give into the loss. We "bandaged" the life size characters and stood them back up on their feet to let the world know we sisters are tough, adaptable, and won't easily break.

I share this example of moving from vandalism to resilience because when we started our journey into "future planning" in 2019, we had no warning of a pandemic. We have persevered in this intensive future planning by accepting that we are living in a rapidly changing landscape with COVID-19, escalating violence between nations and races, deep divides in ideologies, disparity between those who have and those who have so little, and the growing devastation of starvation and wars throughout our world.

This same resilience and deep faith in hope is essential as we continue bridging into our future. Bridging – we deliberately chose this active verb. It is alive, demanding, has its time and will not disappoint.

We say YES to the future as a contemporary Benedictine monastic presence that continues to bring hope and healing to the world.

Blessings of hope and resilience to all,

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Sister Marie Therese "MT" Summers, OSB Prioress

Read about our future plans on Pages 4-7

A Shared Leadership Team Model for Monastic Council



Sister Susan Matarrese, OSB

I was surprised and humbled to be elected to our Council and pleased to support Sister MT's leadership vision. My experience thus far has provided learning and listening opportunities. I am adjusting to the language, style, and openness to possibilities generated in our discussions. I welcome the newness of having an employee and oblate as council members. I am grateful to be part of such a Wisdom Circle."

Sister Mary Glenn, OSB, Assistant Prioress

6 My experience on the Council has been mainly one of learning: how to prepare for meetings by reading all the material, new ways of problem-solving and a new vocabulary of 'business' planning. I enjoy this learning and am grateful for the patience of the other Council members. I am happy to serve the community and to keep on learning."



Jerry O'Hare, OblSB

Serving on the Council is an honor and a true 'holy adventure' for me. Seeing and being part of the decision-making process has given me a new perspective on how critical decisions can be made through the sharing of ideas, prayer, and consensus. I am amazed at the progress the council has made in creating and implementing bridging plans to the future. I am truly humbled to be part of this."

Sister Mary Colleen Schwarz, OSB

As an elected member, I am responsible for listening for and being the voice of my sisters at Council meetings. I am deeply committed to prayer and discernment so that I may intentionally embrace and trust the wisdom of other Council members. To participate fully in this collaborative dynamic, I must be open-minded, speak my truth, raise questions, and be vulnerable and transparent. The Rule of Benedict is our guide to stay focused on decision-making for the community's common good, not one single voice."



Ruth Roland, Director of Mission Advancement

In my working career of almost 40 years, I have sat through more than a few manager and nonprofit board meetings. Most of them weren't productive or even necessary. My experience as a Council member at Benet Hill is a refreshing change. Serving has given me the opportunity to participate more fully in a mission to which I'm deeply committed. I am blessed beyond measure to serve on this team."

First-time Council members share their reflections on serving on the monastery's governance board. Other Council members are Sister MT Summers, OSB (Prioress), and Sister Clare Carr, OSB.





Bridging to the Future

The Benedictine sisters and oblates of Benet Hill Monastery have discovered a powerful metaphor for our future in the living bridges of Meghalaya.

These beautiful suspension bridges are handmade from the aerial roots of rubber fig trees which grow on steep slopes of the subtropical forests of India. The bridges are essential for transportation during the rainy seasons when crossing rivers become dangerous. The Khasi and Jaintia peoples lovingly pass the knowledge of building and maintaining these intricately braided living bridges to each generation.

Unlike many American communities of women religious, Benet Hill Monastery is not moving to closure. Instead, we will continue as a contemporary Benedictine monastic presence. Since November 2019, we have been prayerfully discerning a vision framework for the year 2050. Though this is a future that only a few of us will be alive to see, we want to make sure that the monastery is here to share Benedictine values in the future.

On the next couple of pages, we describe how sisters and oblates will be braiding the roots of this future into a living bridge over the next three years. We have named this our Bridging to the Future Plan, the first of many short-term bridging plans. Though this plan may change as we live into it, our vision framework here will remain unchanging as our guiding NorthStar.

Vision Framework

Our Charism Our Spiritually Infused Giftedness

We, the Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery, journeying together, are called to seek God in the daily celebration of life. Recognizing our giftedness, we listen and respond through creative prayer and life-giving service

Our Mission Our Core Purpose

We exist to be a contemporary Benedictine monastic presence.

Our Values What We Believe and How We Behave

We provide sacred space of hospitality to create hope and healing

We revere all creation

We are radical signs of God's love and compassion

We use our resources in service with all God's people



Scan the OR code to watch the video on the Bridges of Meghalaya

Initiatives:

- » Create a technology plan
- » Create a new website
- Implement live streaming of worship and programs »
- » Upgrade phone system
- >>
- » Define how to use technology while living out universal Benedictine values
- Expand Benedictine content delivered through online channels

What this means: Technology is the foundation for our vision to extend Benedictine values to the world.

Strategic Priority 2

Share monastery leadership

Initiatives:

- Empower the Oblate Advisory and Action Team (OAAT) »
- Transfer leadership of oblates ministry to OAAT »
- Create broad guidelines to empower Covenant Groups »
- Strengthen leadership and facilitation skills »
- Transfer management of Sisters' Thrift & Boutigue to senior managers »
- Improve volunteer recruitment and training, building on success at Thrift & Boutique »
- »
- » Create a human-centered design process for all ministry programs

What this means: Sharing leadership is bringing fresh ideas, skills, and energy to the monastery. We will move into the future at the speed of our relationships.

Strategic Priority 1

Create a technology infrastructure to support Benet Hill Monastery's work

Identify additional information technology skills needed, and hire or contract to provide skills

Identify resources needed to continue offering meaningful worship opportunities to the public

Strategic Priority 3

Practice intentional inclusivity and support social and environmental justice

Initiatives:

- » Practice our Land Ethic, adopted in 2018
- » Do our internal education and work first prior to engaging with other communities on issues of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity (DEI)
- » Define and activate decision-making processes that are deliberately inclusive
- » Intentionally engage with other communities on DEI issues
- » Transform the way in which we do "creative service for all God's people."

What this means: Sisters may not be able to physically serve any longer, but we can be the little bit of "leaven" helping to create big change. We will learn about key issues, share wisdom, and work to become allies of the younger generations.

Strategic Priority 4

Steward resources

Initiatives:

- » Create a long-range financial plan in two phases
- » Strengthen financial controls
- » Identify additional finance skills needed, and hire or contract to provide skills
- » Shift our community's culture from an expectation of scarcity to one of sufficiency

What this means: We are rich in physical assets, friends, and in our spiritual lives. We will carefully manage our resources while continually thanking God for our blessings.

Benet Hill Monastery

Initiatives:

- » Transition new prioress through her first year
- » Ensure that hospitality begins at the front door and continues throughout the monastery
- Ensure that our kitchen and healthcare departments stay fully staffed and well-equipped »
- Create succession plans so that key administrative functions do not fail »
- Integrate mission advancement, communications, and marketing »

and into the future by improving processes to meet daily needs.

Strategic Priority 6

Transition to 21st Century Monasticism

Initiatives:

- » Continue to exchange wisdom with other communities of religious women
- » Define what a 21st Century monastic will look like for us
- Participate in the 100th Anniversary Colloquium Benedictine Life: A Vision Unfolding »
- » Determine our role in listening to and advocating for those who are voiceless
- » Honor those who will gracefully transition from active life to prayer support

We will be a part of this transformation.

Strategic Priority 5

Strengthen daily operations to support future growth

What this means: We will move beyond the "tyranny of the present"

What this means: Communities of religious women in the U.S. are innovating in new and exciting ways to continue into the 21st Century.

Benedictine Sisters and Oblates Share Leadership

Dr. Ellen Hartoutunian, Ph.d, ObISB

"God is Good"

Gobsmacked. Thankful. Astounded. Teary-eyed. That's how I feel listening to folks tell me why they give to the monastery. I call them my "God moments" and they're the high points of my week.



The Benet Hill Monastery Oblates continue to seek ways to love God, love the sisters, and love the world as we emerge from the pandemic.

The members of the Oblate Advisory and Action Team (OAAT) now attend all community meetings with the sisters as part of the monastery's evolving shared leadership plan. The Oblate leadership team is deeply engaged in the life and the vision of Benet Hill so that we may assist in nurturing and sustaining an ongoing Benedictine presence now and for future generations.

The Oblate leadership team has assumed responsibility for training new oblates, and a fantastic class of novices began May 2022. The OAAT team is grateful for the continuing wise counsel of Sister Clare Carr as we embark on this new adventure!

> Oblates are adults who desire to seek God by living in harmony with the spirit of St. Benedict as revealed in the Rule of Benedict and its contemporary expressions.

Our Covenant Groups are teams of sisters and oblates working together for a common purpose. The Ongoing Oblate Formation Group led by Jerry O'Hare is developing spiritual formation opportunities for the growing community of oblates in Colorado and those living elsewhere. The Care of the Earth Group led by Sister Jan Ginzkey has guided Benet Hill through exploration and enrollment in the Laudato Si' Action Platform.

Individual oblates continue to serve in their local communities. In Colorado Springs, oblates help with liturgy and other tasks at the monastery. Others serve at Bakhita Mountain Home, a separate 501(c)3 founded by Sister Rose Ann Barmann to help adult women survivors of human trafficking. Others are establishing a Benedictine presence at the Newman Chapel and Catholic Student Center at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Several will join the sisters in attending, virtually or in person, the 100th Anniversary Colloquium Benedictine Life: A Vision Unfolding in late June.

In loving kindness, God continues to call people to follow the way of St. Benedict, which is of course, the way of Jesus the Christ.

> Read more about Laudato Si' on Page 10 and Shared Leadership on Page 4

I've talked to people who arrived here as strange and experienced the kind of hospitality they've n experienced anywhere else. They tell me that the keep coming back for the worship services offer sacred rituals, prayerful music, and messages of what scripture means to us today that inspire ar educate. I've even talked to adult children of the "strangers no more" who live elsewhere but are monthly donors in gratitude to the community w welcomed their parents so extravagantly.

I've spoken with individuals who knew the Benedictine sisters when they served in parishes schools, and hospitals and who will never forget their unwavering ability to see the Christ in other talk with a lot of people too who are just finding about the monastery through counseling, spiritu direction, or spiritual director training ministries by visiting Sisters' Thrift & Boutique, the monast or columbarium.

See Page 19 for information on how to make a one-time or recurring gift.

Ruth Roland, Director of **Mission Advancement**

ers ever	The common thread in all these conversations is that they were first welcomed as if they were Christ
ey	before they ever heard a message of hope and
ring	experienced some type of healing. In a nutshell, this
n	is what it means to be a contemporary Benedictine
nd	monastic presence.
se	And then there are the miracles that happen. Last
	year, I was reviewing a proposal for creating a new
/ho	website for the monastery and wondering where we
	would find the money. In walks Sister MT with the
	news that a hospital foundation in Texas, affiliated
S,	with a hospital system that our dear friend Father
t,	Bob Lambert had served as an ethicist, would be
rs. I	making a substantial gift to the monastery in his
out	memory. She said the gift amount and I peeked
al	back at the bottom line for the website cost - they
or	were practically identical. I looked back at Sister MT
ery,	and told her the website cost. She smiled serenely
	and simply said, "God is good."

Thank you for walking side by side with the Sisters and Oblates of Benet Hill Monastery as partners in their mission.

Thank you.

Where Two or More are Gathered

Sister Mary Colleen Schwarz, OSB **Director of Technology**

Christ has no online presence but yours, no blog, no Facebook page but yours, Yours are the tweets through which love touches this world, Yours are the posts through which the Gospel is shared, Yours are the updates through which hope is revealed. Christ has no online presence but yours, no blog, no Facebook page but yours.

In her blog, social media expert and Catholic author Meredith Gould reframes St. Teresa of Avila's prose to remind us that Jesus the Christ doesn't have an online presence...except for the one we launch out into cyberspace. Just sit with that for a moment. When I first read this, I immediately saw what our online presence should model: WWJP (What Would Jesus Post)!

When the pandemic started, our sisters quickly became accustomed to telehealth calls and connecting with family and friends online. Sisters called the Sunday Worship community and donors to check in. Most of all, they loved to pray an hourly schedule to lift up all the people in our community and those suffering around the world.

As soon as possible, we began moving ministry offerings online including spiritual direction, mental health and grief counseling, and a Lectio Divina group. We began to share weekly scripture reflections on YouTube and Facebook, and in e-newsletters and a blog. Our Global Online Benedictine Spiritual Direction training program expanded, creating new Benedictine spiritual directors around the world. We launched a LinkedIn account to network with businesses and professionals. We posted on Facebook daily with an array of inspirational messages and candid photos of community life at the monastery.

Our presence in cyberspace has enabled us to meet people where they are a great deal of the time: online! It also helps us maintain and create new relationships, elevate our visibility, and expand our communication methods.

What's next? Thanks to a generous grant award from the Koch Foundation, we will expand our online presence. And thanks to an extraordinary gift in honor of our dear friend Father Bob Lampert from Christus Health, we are in the final stages of developing a new website to launch summer 2022.

Benet Hill Monastery commits to the Laudato Si' Action Platform

 ope Francis published the encyclical Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home in May 2015. In his writing, Francis pleads for all people around the world to work together to heal earth, our common home, by responding to "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor."

The key idea behind Laudato Si' it is that of "integral ecology," but this is hardly a new concept. Indigenous people, with their deep understanding of ecology, have always recognized the interconnectedness of all things created on Earth. In comparison, the institution of the Church has been slow to see and act on this scientific reality, and that's an understatement!

For instruction on the care of creation, Benedictines have the Rule of Benedict published in 517 CE. In Chapter 32, Benedict counsels us to treat all things as "vessels of the altar," yet to be honest, we have not always recognized the interconnectedness of all things.

In the encyclical, Francis invites people to protect God's creation for future generations, to embrace a lifestyle change for the common good, and to take care of people who are poor and vulnerable. He outlined seven goals, building on the rich tradition of Catholic Social Justice teachings.

Scan the code to learn more



Our Care of the Earth Covenant Group of sisters and oblates are developing Benet Hill's Action Platform. In 2022, we will focus on responding to the cry of the earth. Between May and October, we plan to continue work on fire mitigation, improving our meditation paths and prayer sites, and begin composting again.

Learn more about the action platform at laudatosiactionplatform.org

sjan@benethillmonastery.org or (719) 355-1629



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Sign up for e-newsletter, or email Colleen or Ruth to find out how you can help expand our online presence.

Source: Gould, M. (2015). The Social Media Gospel: Sharing the Good News in New Ways. Liturgical Press.

Our community of sisters, oblates, and friends have accepted the invitation to act on the seven goals as the next step in living our Land Ethic created in 2018.

Sister Jan Ginzkey, OSB

In 2015, a global movement of Catholics formed to encourage "all people of good will" to take the seven goals and create action plans to address the global climate crisis and begin to heal our earth. From this movement, the Laudato Si' Action Platform was created.

To volunteer, contact Sister Jan at

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Synod 2021-2023

Sister Marie Therese (MT) Summers, OSB

A Place of Rest in the Forest

p ope Francis has invited the entire Church (the people of God) to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium."

Though it's true that full participation in this synod will still be limited to men, Pope Francis is letting in some fresh air by making this a Synod on Synodality. Francis wants to consult with the entire people of God: lay and ordained; nonreligious and religious; all denominations, Catholic and beyond; the comfortable and the poor, vulnerable and marginalized. This Synod marks a new and more expansive understanding of synodality.

The model to this synod is emphasizing the listening to everyone to see the best way to move forward. This is synodality! Synods depend on confidence to speak and the humility to listen. Listening is daring to open

yourself to people that have views different from your own with which you may strongly disagree. Rather than trying first to prove why they are wrong, we must first imagine what has been their life experiences. We need the courage and the faith in the ultimate power of truth and charity to listen beyond words to what others say. We must listen with the heart and listen to the heart of the other.

Benet Hill Monastery will be fully participating in the synod. We will be listening to those who attend Sunday worship with us and others in our community. We will also support Bishop James R. Golka of the Diocese of Colorado Springs in their discussions as needed. We encourage everyone to participate in the Synod on Synodality!

Below are some questions you may hear in these discussions:

- 1. What experiences of Church (the people of God) come to mind?
- 2. What joys did these experiences provoke?
- 3. What difficulties and obstacles have you encountered?
- 4. What wounds have you felt from these experiences?
- 5. Where, in these experiences, does the voice of the Spirit resound? What is the Spirit asking of us now in this millennium?
- 6. What is your greatest wish for your church community? Why?
- 7. How can we move forward better together?

Locate a synod discussion and participate. Speak up!

hen James Farrell died last year after a long illness, his wife Aimee was able to follow through on his final wishes because they had planned everything together.

Aimee recalls, "It helped both of us to plan his In our culture, we don't like to think about death and our place of rest and service. It was easy to set up the final resting place. Yet, we do our loved ones a huge arrangements by meeting with Sister MT. Jim wanted favor by planning our final resting place before our it simple and he was concerned about COVID-19. We passing. The sisters are here to help. chose to have a graveside service at the columbarium for Jim and then arranged it so that I will be interred Of Jim's service, Aimee says, "It was a perfect day. The there later."

The Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery are deeply committed to the ministry of compassionately travelling with people through their spiritual pilgrimage on Earth. When that journey ends with death, we believe that we return to God. We would be honored to assist you in planning for this final chapter.

Our columbarium at the St. Benedict Cemetery is located near the entrance to the monastery. Sheltered by the towering pine forest, it is easily accessible by car. A path with hand-carved Stations of the Cross also leads to the cemetery. Deer and other wildlife visit as do sisters and family members. There are benches so that visitors may rest, remember their beloved dead, and listen to the wind and birds move through the forest.



Sister Clare Carr, OSB

Each niche in the columbarium beautifully and respectfully holds up to four urns of cremated remains. Please note that the Church does not try to influence a person's decision as to a place of burial or internment. This is a deeply personal choice that must be made by the individual and their family. The Church does accept cremation for those of the Roman Catholic faith. Our columbarium is open to all persons regardless of their faith tradition.

service was exquisite, beautiful, and inspirational. Many who came experienced a reverence and appreciation for the presence of the sisters. They didn't know that a graveside service could be so beautiful. God was there."

Thrifting is a **Benedictine Value!**

In Chaper 32 of the Rule, St. Benedict wrote that we should treat all things as if they are "vessels of the altar." In our throw-away society, this may be one of the hardest rules to follow! That's why the sisters started a thrifting operation several years ago.

Judy Haefner, **Senior Manager**

Benet Hill Academy Alumnae News

C isters' Thrift and Boutique is a unique little resale Store in the heart of the Briargate neighborhood. All profits go to support the mission of the Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery.

At the heart of the Boutique are 23 dedicated men and women volunteers who process donated goods. The volunteers work at least one shift, 3.5 hours per week. Some folks like to work two shifts per week or more when we are short-handed because they enjoy the community so much.

Seven experienced staff managers work hand in hand with the volunteers and one superstar bookkeeper to carry out all retail duties. To pass along donations to other nonprofits in town, we rely on three dependable gentlemen to manage truckloads of bags, boxes, and large items. Sister MT Summers, OSB, completes our little organization as she continues to kindly impart wisdom and guidance.

Sisters' Thrift & Boutique 8674 N Union Blvd Colorado Springs, CO 80920

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Managers and volunteers strive to make our small shop atmosphere one that is up-scale but also very fun and always friendly. Our patrons give us interesting and guality items which we then recycle for re-sale at a reasonable price. It is a nice place to browse, shop, and feel welcome.

The Boutique currently is selling a wide variety of spring and summer items, household goods, art, jewelry, small furniture, clothing, and much more.

We welcome customers to shop from 10 AM-5 PM Monday through Friday and 10 AM-4:30 PM on Saturdays. Donation hours are limited to 10-4 PM Monday through Friday and 10 AM-3 PM on Saturdays.

Sisters' Thrift and Boutique needs a few more volunteers to join the team. If you are interested, stop by for more information and an application.



This past summer, the classes of 1970, 1971, and 1980 were represented at the 2021 Alumnae Reunion held at Benet Hill Monastery. The class of 1980 were present in force! The exhilaration felt when reconnecting with old friends, acquaintances, and our former teachers was tremendous!

During this gathering, the sisters expressed a desire for a succession plan to sustain our alumnae group. Sister Lucile has worked hard to maintain contact with alumnae but needs to pass the baton to the alumnae themselves.

A group of alumnae have stepped forward to assist in updating contact information for their respective classes. The sisters and volunteers hope to reach everyone possible, keep us all connected, and share the monastery's message of hope and hospitality for all.



Benet Hill Academy Reunion July 23 – 24, 2022 at Benet Hill Monastery



Jackie Wells, Class of 1970

There are three ways you can help:

- When a class representative contacts you via the email address on record, please respond as soon as possible!
- 2. You might not receive an email because we don't have an email address on record. In this case, send an email to info@ benethillmonastery.org, including your name, year of graduation, mailing address, email address, and phone number. If you do not wish to be contacted in the future, please tell us that too and we will make a note.
- **3.** If you'd like to help in these efforts, mention this in your email response too. It is likely that this project will continue with additional tasks.

Whether you respond to a class representative or to the monastery, we will treat all information as confidential.

All alumnae are invited to attend. The classes of 1972 and 1982 will be honored guests. Watch for reunion updates and details on the "Benet Hill Academy Alumnae" private Facebook page.

We pray for those who have lost loved ones

Compiled by Sisters Lucile Hartmann and Mary Jane Vigil, OSB

Sisters Kathleen and Elizabeth Cogan, OSB



Brother Jack Cogan

"Jack was a WWII Vet. His four sons took him fishing on his 100th birthday."

Sister Mary Jane Vigil, OSB

Brother-in-law Joe Sambrano, great-newphew Cameron Rodriguez, and Uncle Luis (LeRoy) Vigil



"Joe was always upbeat and never knew a stranger. He greeted everyone as his best friend."

Elfriede (Alfonsin) Goeben, Trudie (Alfonsin) Layton BHA '70 and Barbara Goeben



Daughter and sister, Dottie (Alfonsin) Watkins BHA '66

"Dottie lived a joyful life though she knew much suffering from illness and the death of her son."

-Sister Naomi Rosenberger, OSB

Sister Marilyn Carpenter, OSB Cousin, Gail Georgeson; godfather Charles Duane Caroll

Sister Rose Ann Barmann, OSB Cousin, Sister Evelyn Gregory

Norman Barnett and Family Wife and mother, Patricia Barnett, ObISB

McDougal Family Susan McDougal BHA '72

Mary Ellen (Lohman) Simmons BHA '71 and Ann (Lohman) Rosenow BHA '74 Mother, Toni Lohman

Sister Lucile Hartmann



Brother John Hartmann, nephew Joe Hartmann "John was always willing to help where help was needed."

Sister Ana Cloughly, OSB



"Gary loved to cook and to share his culinary delights with family and friends."

Nanette (Augustin) Henkel BHA '69,



Theresa (Augustin) Bliss BHA '73, and Valerie (Augustin) Tokarz (deceased, '74) Mother, Wanda Augustin

"Wanda was a valiant woman to the end." -Sister Naomi Rosenberger, OSB

Lee Ann Lizzul BHA '78 Mother, Georgia Lizzul

Lynn Mabrey BHA '79 Parents, Wayne and Betty Mabrey

Laura (Benish) Broughton BHA '82, Erika (Benish) Frawley BHA '83 and Veronica (Benish) Nuvolini Mother, Barbara Benish

Judy (Schaible) Beard BHA '80 Mother, Mary Schaible; husband, Steve Beard





We invite you to receive... breathe...give...breathe...repeat...

Receive

- Walk the forested grounds and linger at prayer sites
- Allow us to pray with you
- Worship in Our Lady of Peace Chapel, Sundays at 10:15 AM
- Make a contemplative retreat (Guided retreats available)
- Inquire about mental health or grief counseling
- Journey with a Benedictine Spiritual Director
- Explore the Online Benedictine Spiritual Director **Training & Certification Program**

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Give

- Mail your check to: Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery, 3190 Benet Lane, Colorado Springs, CO 80921
- Securely give online at **benethillmonastery.org** including gifts in memory or honor of a sister, family member, or friend
- Recommend a grant from a Donor Advised Fund
- Include the Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery in your Required Minimum Distribution and reduce your taxable income by making a Qualified Charitable Distribution
- Inquire about making a bequest through your will or transferring appreciated shares of stock or mutual funds: Ruth Roland at rroland@benethillmonastery.org, or call (719) 355-1633





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For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; It will surely come, it will not delay.

Habakkuk 2:3